

The Richmond *Enquirer* is fearfully distressed lest Kentucky may be made the victim of a "descent" of the class of Abolitionists of whom Brown is a type, and lest, being at a greater distance from the forces of the Federal Government, the attempt at exciting a general insurrection among the slaves of this State may be successful before the assistance of the Federal troops can be obtained. Kentuckians will not feel complimented at the great solicitude for our State. We hardly suppose there is a town of any size in the Commonwealth that could be held possession of by twenty five Abolitionists, and the whole State thrown into convulsions of terror, as was the case at Harper's Ferry. Let such an attack be made in Kentucky, and our Governor will hardly be compelled to call in the assistance of the Federal Government to quell the insurrection. The gallant gentlemen whom he has appointed as "Aids, with the rank of Colonel" would form a phalanx sufficient numerous and brave to strike terror into the souls of any array of Abolitionists that could be marched into the State. Besides, their skill in military tactics and the strategies of war would give them an immense advantage over the insurgents. No wonder that Brown chose Virginia instead of Kentucky as the scene of his exploits.